## You are cordially invited to attend

## **SMART STRATEGIES FOR FRONT LINE LEADERS**

a component of the Governor's Early Childhood Summit
Saturday, June 4 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Student Commons Theater, Virginia Commonwealth University
Registration begins at 9:30 a.m.

#### Who should attend?

Center- and Home-Based Child Care Owners, who will receive 6 contact hours for attendance.

The objective of this event is to focus on capacity in the child care industry to provide high quality care in a more cost-efficient and cost-effective way. Workshops on business skills, budgeting, human resource management and marketing will be presented, as well as information about the economic impact of the child care industry to Virginia.

### The agenda will include:

- ✓ a panel presentation of information about financing and loan opportunities as well as resources for assisting with writing a business plan;
- ✓ an update on the progress of Virginia's child care provider professional development system by the Virginia Department of Social Services;
- ✓ keynote address from **Louise Stoney** of the Alliance for Early Childhood Finance in New York, regarding the economic impact of the child care industry; and
- ✓ an intensive block of training:
  - Center owners will have a 4-hour training session with Kathleen Corley of Development Corporation for Children in Minnesota, covering sessions on financial tools (budgeting and cash flow), human resource basics, and marketing.
  - Family providers will have a 4-hour training session with **Michelle Thole** of the Resource and Referral Network in Minnesota, working through the *Dollars and Sense* book (provided to participants) to cover contracts with parents, developing a business plan, and other important skills for the family provider.

Lunch and materials will be provided free of charge to participants. Space is limited; please register as soon as possible but no later than May 20. Parking is available in the deck across the street from the Student Commons at \$5 per car. Following the registration period, an email will be sent to confirm registration and provide additional information.

To register, please select the link below.

# **Registration information**